

FISCAL MEMORANDUM
HB 148 – SB 614

March 19, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004525): Makes offering to pay or paying the speeding ticket citations of the purchasers of radar detectors, the selling of radar jamming devices and the selling of any illegal good or service an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the *Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977*. Violations will be punishable through civil penalties, private rights of action, and as a Class B misdemeanor. Currently violations for offering to pay the speeding ticket citations of the purchasers of radar detectors are punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, fine only.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- An increase in state revenues from the collection of civil penalties.
- An increase in state expenditures to implement and enforce the provisions of this bill.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenues or expenditures.

- Some increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenues from fees, taxes and costs collected. However, such increases will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly distinguishable, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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